

# GREENBELT News Review

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## Many Technical Issues Resolved As Skateboarders, Designer Talk

by Thomas X. White

Plans for the proposed Greenbelt Skate Park advanced at a Greenbelt City Council worksession held on Wednesday, July 14 at the Community Center. The worksession was council's first opportunity to review the most recent design and development concept for the proposed skate park to be constructed on the sloping grassy area between the Youth Center and the Community Center (see the Preliminary Layout Plan for the proposed skate park on page 6).

Attendees at the worksession included local skateboarders, their parents, skate board park supporters, skate board advocates from the metropolitan area and representatives from other recreation and parks agencies considering skate board facilities for their areas.

Joe McNeal, assistant director of Recreational Facilities, Greenbelt Recreation Department,

briefed council on staff efforts since April, which he outlined to City Manager Michael McLaughlin in a July 7 memorandum. The briefing covered the preliminary layout plan, updated projected costs for the project and staff work with California Landscape and Design (CLD) on developing the proposed design concept.

McNeal also described a May meeting with the principal designer for CLD, Wally Hollyday, to review design and construction issues and an additional public meeting on May 19 to solicit ideas and suggestions from skateboarders from Greenbelt and the surrounding area.

He projected a timeline for the skate park's development, assuming council approved on August 5 the design concept, negotiated purchase for construction by CLD and a necessary

geological and technical survey of the proposed site by Giles Engineering.

If council agrees to move the project along at that meeting, the geo-tech survey would take about six weeks, CLD would begin development of construction documents on September 30, the city staff would file for permits with Prince George's County and construction would begin at the end of April, 2005 and take about three months. A projected "Grand Opening" of the Greenbelt Skate Park could take place on July 30, 2005.

Projected costs for the completed 7,000 square foot facility range from \$195,000 to \$220,000, depending on site, landscaping or other changes made in the ultimate design. The McNeal memorandum estimates \$180,000 for the CLD

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## A New American Citizen Also Becomes a Volunteer

by Pat Davis

On June 8, 2004, Agnes Conaty, along with 50 others, took the oath of citizenship in Baltimore to become a citizen of the United States. When asked about how she feels as a citizen, she replied, "I love the freedom in this country. I know I can be whatever I want to be." She also stated that she is "proud to be an American and I want to contribute as much as possible to the American way of life." She added that she loves the diversity in this country.

Born Agnes Pasco on Luzon island in the Philippines, Conaty came to the U.S. for the first time in 1990 to attend school for a short time. She returned in 1995 for a two-month U.S. Information Agency tour of environmental facilities. In 1997 Conaty came once again for 16 months to study and write her doctoral dissertation in environmental sciences. At this time she also worked at the Goddard Space Flight Center.

In November 1997 the former Miss Pasco met Austin Conaty at Goddard. Although they had worked in the same building for 11 months, they had never met. Then over the course of three days they ran into each other three times: at St. Hugh's



Agnes Conaty

PHOTO BY AGNES CONATY

Church, at Goddard and at a dance class. Deciding that fate had intervened, they started dating.

Agnes returned to the Philippines in April 1998 to defend her dissertation, to receive her degree from the University of the Philippines

and to teach at the university. During this time Agnes and Austin continued a long distance romance by email.

In February 1999 he went to the Philippines to meet her family and in June her cousin brought Agnes a gift from Austin with a message to email him when she got it.

### Proposal

When she did, he called back and proposed and she accepted. The "gift" was an engagement ring. They were married on December 30, 1999, in the Philippines.

The following January Conaty came to the U.S. and started work on getting her citizenship.

Austin was so happy that Agnes was becoming a citizen that he arranged a surprise party on July 2 at the College Park Aviation Museum. She found out about it on the day of the party. About 80 friends, family

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## "Middle River" Is FOGM Topic

by Sandra A. Lange

In celebration of the Year of the History of Flight, the Greenbelt Museum is sponsoring a free lecture on Tuesday, July 27 at 7:30 p.m., in the Multipurpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center. Entitled "Middle River: The Town that Bombers Built," a slide lecture by Loyola history Professor John Breihan will describe the Maryland suburb of Middle River planned by Hale Walker. Walker also designed Greenbelt in 1935. Museum members and friends are invited to an ice cream social preceding the lecture at 7 p.m.

Middle River, located 10 miles north of Baltimore, was home to the Glenn Martin Aircraft Assembly Plant. In 1939 the plant began gearing up for war. By 1943, over 53,000 workers were employed there. A new planned community outside the factory gates became a wartime

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### What Goes On

Saturday, July 24

9 a.m. to noon, Electronics Recycling, Buddy Attick Park

Saturday, July 31

9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Registration for swimming lessons for passholders and residents for August 3-6 and 10-13.

Sunday, August 1 and Monday, August 2

9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Open registration for above dates at Aquatic and Fitness Center

## Nominations Are Crucial For Outstanding Citizen

by Joe Timer

First given in 1973, the Outstanding Citizen award is presented annually to a Greenbelt citizen who has provided exemplary volunteer service, past and present. Greenbelt's 2003 Outstanding Citizen – Emory Harman – and the 30 recipients of the Outstanding Citizen Award that preceded him have provided countless hours of un-publicized service. When asked about his reaction to being selected Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen, Harman responded, "I felt honored to be recognized and to be Grand Marshal of the Labor Day Parade."

For more than 50 years, this Greenbelt resident has been active in various organizations. Harman stated that he enjoys volunteer work. This has involved PTA activities, neighborhood crime watch, playing Santa Claus for the city's Recreation Department and announcing both the Labor Day Parade and the Greenbelt Concert Band. He remains active, particularly in the Lion's Club, the University of Maryland and the



PHOTO BY PROSPERO ZEVALLOS - NEWS REVIEW FILE PHOTO

Emory Harman displays Greenbelt's 60th Anniversary cake in this 1997 photograph. The 2003 Outstanding Citizen has been involved in numerous Greenbelt activities and, in this instance, served as chair of the anniversary committee.

Greenbelt Community Church.

A focus with the Lion's Club remains organizational growth. Harman personally has recruited 150 new members. While conceding that today's demands of

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## Hungarian Mayors Tour City, Meet with Council

by Barbara Hopkins

Eight Hungarian mayors recently spent a busy day in Greenbelt during a visit sponsored by the U. S. Department of State. The visitors were welcomed by Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Leta Mach, who also shared with them information on the local educational system. Later, the group met with the other three councilmembers and City Manager Michael McLaughlin who addressed them about the structure and workings of the city government.

Celia Craze of the city's plan-

ning department spoke with the mayors about the planning decision process and Christal Batey talked with them about senior programs. MPO George Mathews introduced the Hungarians to the basics of the Greenbelt Police Department. They learned of the city's history from the museum curator and had a tour of the city.

After sharing dinner with Greenbelt resident Erica Ginsberg, program officer, Department of State Bureau of Edu-

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PHOTOS BY BEVERLY PALAU

Greenbelt City Council welcomes eight mayors from Hungary and their translator to the City Council meeting on July 19.



# Letters to the Editor

## THANKS

My family and I want to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to our many relatives, friends and neighbors who have overwhelmed us with their many offers of sympathy, prayers, cards, flowers and many acts of kindness too numerous to list. Thank you for making the loss of our dearly loved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather more bearable. Thank you again.

Mrs. Joseph Hanyok  
and Family

## A Paper Trail Is Needed

Stephen Jascourt's letter in the July 15 News Review raised some important points about the necessity of adding a voter-verified paper trail to the electronic machines, manufactured by the Diebold Corporation, that will be used in the upcoming election in Maryland. I would like to add a few more points in favor of adding a paper trail.

Firstly, Diebold has admitted that the software in its machines that Maryland used in the 2004 primary election failed to meet federal qualification standards, which Maryland law requires for certification by the State Board of Elections (BOE). Ironically, the BOE has been objecting to a paper trail on the grounds that "there are no federal standards" for such a provision. Yet the BOE doesn't seem concerned that the Diebold system itself failed to meet federal standards already in place. In contrast, the California Secretary of State has banned Diebold for similar offenses.

Moreover, the Diebold ma-

chines in use in Maryland already have printers to print closing tallies. Diebold had agreed in 2003 to modify their machines for free for San Diego County to have paper receipts for each voter.

A citizen's group, Campaign for Verifiable Voting (<http://www.truevotemd.org>), has filed a lawsuit to require a paper trail for the Diebold machines but the BOE has called for dismissal of this lawsuit.

The BOE continues to use taxpayer money to disseminate publicity attempting to convince concerned voters that the Diebold system needs no improvement. Their new "educational" pamphlet, "Electronic Voting: Myths vs. Facts," is now being contested by national computer security and elections expert Professor Douglas Jones of the University of Iowa, who has issued a point-by-point corrective to this pamphlet. He says the pamphlet contains so many "misleading assertions, straw-man arguments and outright errors that it may well do more to fuel public distrust than it does to assure the trustworthiness of the system it defends."

Having a receipt for our vote is a no-brainer. No one in their right mind would trust their hard-earned money with an ATM machine that provided no receipts or independently auditable backup system and there is no reason that we should trust our hard-earned vote with such a system either. Maryland law requires that our vote be auditable and recountable; the current paperless system provides neither.

Ruth Kastner

## Visit Old Towne Bowie Saturday

Free tours of the Railroad Museum will be conducted on Saturday, July 24 in Old Towne Bowie from noon to 4 p.m. Watch trains from the observation platform. Call 301-805-4616 for more information.

Also on Saturday, July 24 the Annapolis Bicycle Club will host a bicycle ride starting in Old Towne Bowie from 9 a.m. until noon. For more information call Jerry Iacouzza at 301-464-4513.

From 2 to 4 p.m. July 24 a free summer concert will be performed by the Beat Water Tribute/Beatle Tribute Band from 2 to 4 p.m. Call 301-262-6200 for more information.

Another event on July 24 is the free display of bicycles of the 1970s at A&M Cycle, including "muscle bikes" like Stingrays, Fastbacks, Hurricane, Western Flyer and the Ross Apollo Racer. All bikes are restored to original condition. For more information call Michael DeNardo at 301-262-4343.

## Navy Band Gives Free Performances

On Monday, July 26, the U. S. Navy Band will give a performance at 8 p.m. at the U. S. Capitol (west side).

The next day the band will appear at the Navy Memorial, 701 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., also at 8 p.m. Thursday, July 29, the "Cruisers," the band's rock ensemble, will present a concert at 8 p.m. at the west side of the Capitol. All concerts are free. For more information call 202-433-2525 or visit the web at [www.navyband.navy.mil](http://www.navyband.navy.mil).

### LABOR DAY FESTIVAL USED BOOK SALE

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[amyhansen@nasw.org](mailto:amyhansen@nasw.org)

## Conserve Water and Save Money

A great deal of money can be saved by taking simple steps to save water, the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) notes. Even small changes can have a big effect on water resources and environmental quality. Fixing a leaky faucet, toilet or lawn sprinkler can reduce water use. Changing to water-efficient plumbing fixtures and appliances can be major water and energy savers as well. Nationally, an average of 14 percent of the water bought is lost through leaks without being used.

Using less water on the lawn and garden can help too. Roughly 30 percent of the water used in ur-

ban areas on the east coast goes to irrigate plants, mostly lawns. To use less water, gardeners can select plants that are adapted to their home (consider climate, soils, sunlight and exposure); cluster plants together and mulch them with compost to conserve moisture; avoid planting or transplanting during the summer; water in the early morning instead of mid-day so that less water evaporates; water once deeply rather than several times lightly to encourage the development of deep roots and use a rain gauge and timers to avoid overwatering.

## GIVE BLOOD

There is an URGENT need! 1-800-GIVE-LIFE

## Pets Supporting Kids

Bella the Vizsla, Budda the King and Newfie the Gentle and their people are proud to participate in the "Great American Bake Sale." Profits are donated to "Share Our Strength," giving grants to non-profits fighting hunger in the USA. Looking forward to our community's support.

If you'd like to help, call 301-982-0692.  
Date, time, place – TBA

## ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS



You are invited to attend  
A Member Input Session with the  
Board & Finance Committee

As a Kick-Off to the  
2005 Budget Preparation

Come and Share Your Suggestions.  
Be a Part of the Decision – Making Process.

8:00 PM  
GHI Boardroom  
August 9, 2004

## Jazz at Riversdale

As the sun sets, bring a blanket or lawn chair to the newly landscaped grounds, unpack the picnic basket and enjoy the music wafting from the portico of the Riversdale House Museum. Project Natale (jazz) will appear from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 28.

This concert will be presented rain or shine (in the event of rain, the concert will be inside) and, best of all, it is free. If packing a picnic is a hassle, buy dinner on the grounds before the show.



Riversdale, a National Historic Landmark, is located at 4811 Riverdale Road in the town of Riverdale Park. For information, call 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544 or visit the website at [www.pgparcs.com](http://www.pgparcs.com).

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## ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS

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A Member Input/Informational Meeting  
On



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Determining Yard Lines

GHI Administration Building

- Saturday, July 31, 2004 – 10:00 AM
- Monday, August 23, 2004 – 7:00 PM

A final public forum will be held Tuesday, September 21, 2004 at 7:00 PM for those members whose yards abut the woodlands. Please plan to attend one of these important meetings. Light refreshments will be served.

## OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

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# Community Events

## Explore Australia

The Explorations Unlimited travel video scheduled for July 30 is “Touring Australia.” Australia is a continent, a country and an island, slightly smaller than the United States, with 18 million people. From native aborigines to Melbourne’s Greek population (the largest outside of Athens), Australia is home to over 160 different nationalities. The country was colonized in 1788. The Aussies have a strong belief in democracy, a marvelous enthusiasm for sports and a love for high adventure. This 60-minute video captures life in the cities (Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Darwin, Hobart, Perth, Adelaide and Alice Springs), the rugged beauty of Kakadu and Daintree, the Great Barrier Reef, the Gold Coast and Ayers Rock.

This video is one of the Explorations Unlimited travel videos being shown this summer every Friday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. All videos will be shown in the senior lounge. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

## Community Day At NASA July 31

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt is opening its gates for a Community Day event on Saturday, July 31 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This year’s theme is “Explore NASA’s Goddard and Beyond,” providing an excellent opportunity to learn about the NASA Goddard Space Flight mission and vision. The Community Day event will provide free exciting and educational activities for all ages.

Some of the events include live entertainment and delicious food from local restaurants, a tour of the Goddard campus and visit to the Hubble Space Telescope control center, earth and space exhibits, demonstrations by NASA scientists and engineers and hands-on and interactive educational opportunities for children. People can also learn about Goddard student programs and possible job opportunities.

## Greenbriar Board Meets July 28

The Greenbriar Community Association board of directors will meet at 6 p.m., Wednesday, July 28. The meeting will be held in Greenbriar’s Commons Room. Residents are invited to attend.

## Water Polo

On Thursday evenings from 8 to 10 p.m. water polo practice takes place at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center. Water polo is attracting players from other swim teams to give a greater variety of skills. Brian Steen and Mike Steen from Suburban Aquatics; and Dylan Berry, Johnny Berry, Patrick Berry, Maggie Abernathy and Mat Abernathy of Garrett Park all attended on July 1. Greenbelt is still the largest group in the area. Other strong players in the deep water/Olympic-sized goal game include Santiago Berdichevsky (a swim coach), Ahmed Ali and Quilla Otto-Jacobs (2003 Navy water polo camp). Others were playing for the first time in the shallow water/small goal game. Call Clement Lau at 301-345-6110 for information.

## Underwater Photo Workshop

Swimmers, splashers and water-loving people of all ages have two opportunities this summer to create unique photographic portraits with a friend or family member at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center pools, located at 101 Centerway. Greenbelt photographer Barbara Tyroler, a member artist at the Touchstone Gallery in Washington, D.C., will conduct the two-meeting workshops. Section I will meet on Wednesday, July 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. and on Wednesday, August 11 from 7 to 8 p.m. Section II will meet on Sunday, August 15 from 9 to 11 a.m. and on Wednesday, September 1 from 7 to 8 p.m. No experience or equipment is required of participants. Single-use cameras and film processing will be provided, along with pool admission.

Large acrylic mirrors will be loaned by Tyroler for use in the pool, allowing participants to experiment with vibrant, distorted reflections of light and color.

Advance registration is re-



An underwater photograph made by local photographer Barbara Tyroler.

quired at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Participants will register in pairs. At least one member of each pair must be age 12 or older. There is a fee to participate in this program. For examples of underwater portraiture, visit the current display of photographs by Tyroler and previous workshop participants at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center. For additional information call Nicole DeWald, arts coordinator, at 301-397-2208.

## Dems Club Hosts Convention Party

The Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club invites all Prince George’s County residents to attend a Convention Night Party on Thursday, July 29, 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway at Greenbelt Road (Rt. 193).

The event will mark the final night of the Democratic Party National Convention, the evening when Senator John F. Kerry accepts the Democratic Party’s nomination for president. Senator Kerry’s speech will be shown live on the community center’s large-screen television, beginning at about 9 p.m.

According to Roosevelt Club President Bill Hunt, prior to Kerry’s speech, “We will have a number of activities, including a conference call message direct from Boston from Senator John Edwards, the Democratic Party’s expected nominee for vice president. Hearing directly from Senator Edwards will make an already special evening even

more exciting. The evening is simply an opportunity for Democrats from all parts of the county to come together, share some refreshments, engage in some political chat and networking, get energized, have a lot of fun and, of course, to hear from our party’s national ticket. If you are not going to be on the convention floor in Boston, then join us for a good old-fashioned Convention Night Party. Wear your campaign gear, dig out those wild hats and come prepared to have a great evening.”

Beverages and munchies will be provided and guests are asked to bring a favorite snack to share. Admission is free but a nominal voluntary donation would be appreciated to help defray the evening’s costs. Everyone who is interested in learning more about the Democratic ticket and how to help with the upcoming election is welcome. RSVP by calling 301-982-0111 or via email to wmhunt@starpower.net.

## Junior Ranger Program at Park

The rangers of Greenbelt Park are looking for junior rangers for the 2004 Junior Ranger Program. Greenbelt Park is an 1,100-acre forest featuring ten miles of trails, picnic areas and a campground. Junior rangers will participate in environmental education, field trips and become a steward of the National Park Service.

Applications for the 2004 Junior Ranger Program are available at the Greenbelt Park Headquarters and Greenbelt Park

Ranger Station. Pre-registration is mandatory and all applications will be reviewed and applicants will be advised of acceptance. The program is for eight- to 12-year-olds.

The second session will be held on Tuesday, August 3 to Friday, August 6. Each session will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Deadline for the second session (August 3 to 6) is Thursday, July 29.

For more information call 301-344-3944.

## At the Library

### Children’s Programs

Tuesday, July 27 – Cuddletime, 10:30 a.m. Newborn to 16 months with caregiver. Limit 15 babies.

11:15 a.m. 17 to 23 months. Limit 15 children,

Wednesday, July 28 – Toddler Time, 10:30 a.m. Ages 24 to 36 months with caregiver. Limit 15 children.

Thursday, July 29 – Drop-In



Storytime, 10:30 a.m. for ages 3 to 5. Limit 20 children.

**Adult Programs**

Thursday, July 29 – “Take Education to the Community,” 3 p.m. A representative from Prince George’s Community College will be available to answer questions about college preparation, enrollment and financial aid.

## Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club, Inc. SOCCER REGISTRATION

Saturday, July 24, Noon–1 p.m. at Springhill Lake  
Saturday, July 31, Noon–1 p.m. at Youth Center

If you are new to the club, please bring the following to registration:

1. Small picture that we can keep
2. Proof of your Greenbelt residency
3. COPY of child’s birth certificate
4. Check/Money Order for \$65

Contact Ms. Kim Paz 301-794-0100  
See you there!



## WANTED!



Please help the Outstanding Citizen Committee find the next outstanding citizen. Submit your nomination for that person whose volunteer service to our community has made him or her your choice to be the Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen of 2004.



*Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, Inc.*

## NOMINATION FORM Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen

Submit this form or a letter by Monday, August 9, to:  
Robert Zugby, Chair  
94 Ridge Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) (please print) Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Please attach a statement (preferably printed or typed) which explains why the nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time; specific accomplishments during each period of service; the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the city; and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material will be accepted but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person’s good works will be helpful. The more information you can provide the committee the better.

*Note: All nominators must sign. Use separate sheet if necessary.*



# Obituaries

## Maurice Love

Maurice Love, 89, former resident of Rosewood Drive in Boxwood Village, died on July 10, 2004.

Mr. Love was born and raised in Washington, D. C. He graduated from Eastern High School in 1933. Following his marriage to Eva Kramer, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1941. He was stationed in Norfolk, Va. and Panama during the war.

Mr. Love was a past president of the Northeast Businessmen's Association and the Central Prince George's County Jewish Community Center. He was also a member of the Jewish War Veterans.

Upon moving to Greenbelt, the Loves (one was not seen without the other) were members of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club, the Golden Age Club, SHHH and the Friends of the Greenbelt Library. They were also members of the Prince George's County Active Seniors and a host of other senior organizations.

When Eva suffered a stroke in 1998, the Loves left Greenbelt and moved to Asbury Methodist Village in Gaithersburg. Mrs. Love died in 2001.

Mr. Love is survived by his daughter Susan, formerly of Boxwood Village (now in Haymarket, Va.); son Paul of Rockville; grandchildren Caryn Hutson and Kenneth Reitzig; and great-granddaughters Hayley and Madison Hutson and Alyssa and Eva Reitzig.

Mr. Love was buried at King David Memorial Gardens in Falls Church, Va. on July 12, 2004.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Asbury Benevolent Fund or Shady Grove Adventist Hospital Foundation.



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in the Middle East"  
by Kay Halpern, international analyst  
with the U.S. General Accounting Office  
Barbara Wells ten Hove,  
Jaco B. ten Hove,  
co-ministers

# City Notes



The week of July 12, the streets crew traveled to Chestertown, Md. to build a kennel for a canine officer, trimmed trees around signs and intersections for visibility and repaired potholes around the city.

The facilities maintenance crew inspected the boiler in the Old Greenbelt Theatre and made a list of needed repairs.

The horticulture crew weeded the free-play area at Schrom Hills Park and began mulching the area and weeded the landscaped beds at Southway and Greenbelt Road, planted annuals and mulched the beds.

The parks crew removed wasp nests from a tree and two pieces of playground equipment, removed the older playground equipment at Schrom Hills Park and graded the area with new soil and completed construction of the bus stop on Greenbelt Road across from Greenway Shopping Center. The benches will be completed after the contractor pours the concrete slab. The crew also repaired the volleyball courts after the recent storms and added sand to the playing field and removed graffiti from the playground at Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

### Administration

"Operation Branch Out" Camp operated a bake sale, went to a Mystics game, assisted the younger campers at the CPT car-

nival and cleaned up around the Buddy Attick Lake Park for a community service project.

### Park Rangers

Recreation coordinator Greg Varda individually met with each park ranger to discuss policies, procedures and expectations.

### Aquatic and Fitness

Staff dealt with two incidents this week involving patrons disobeying the rules of the Center. The police were summoned for assistance in both situations. Both users were nonresidents and were barred from the facility in the future.

### Arts

Interviews continued for the visual arts specialist, ceramics specialist and darkroom manager positions at the Community Center.

A new exhibition was installed at the Community Center, "Artful Science: The Unseen World Revealed by Scanning Electron Micrographs." The exhibition will be accompanied by extensive educational programs for children.

### Greenbelt CARES

Liz Park attended the Disaster Mental Health Volunteer Corps

## Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Hillside & Crescent Roads  
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the aspiring soul, and the social vision..."*


### MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m.  
Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: 9 a.m.  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.  
Pastor: Fr. Walter J. Tappe  
Pastoral Associate: Fr. R. Scott Hurd

## ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Md.



## St. George's Episcopal/ Anglican Church

7010 Glenn Dale Road  
(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)  
301-262-3285 | [rector@stgeo.org](mailto:rector@stgeo.org) | [www.stgeo.org](http://www.stgeo.org)

Sundays:	8:00 am	Simple, quiet Mass
	9:00 am	Christian education for all ages
	10:00 am	Sung Mass with organ and folk music, ASL interpreted
	1:30 pm	Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)
Wednesdays:	7:00 pm	Simple, quiet Mass


An inclusive congregation!

"Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt  
**301-474-9410**  
SUNDAY



Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
Wed. Prayer Meeting	7:00 pm
Third Friday, Games Night	7:30 pm

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[www.gb-gm-UMC.org/mowatt](http://www.gb-gm-UMC.org/mowatt)

**Rev. DaeHwa Park, Pastor**  
July 25 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost  
Sermon: "Diagnosis of Where We Live"  
Commissioning Sunday

Training sponsored by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene on July 9. The session focused on crisis intervention with individuals and groups in the event of a large-scale disaster, such as a tornado or terrorist attack. Attendees learned the difference between normal and pathological responses to crisis events and methods to provide immediate stabilization and support to victims from a variety of backgrounds, age groups and abilities.

Judye Hering gave a presentation on adult education programs (specifically GED) for residents at HOC's (Housing Opportunities Commission) Employment Initiative Program on Tuesday, July 13. The purpose of the presentation was to provide an educational forum and introduce educational opportunities which could help residents improve their quality of life.

Christal Batey completed the Prince George's County Aging Advisory Committee Annual Report for fiscal year 2004.

On Wednesday, July 14, as part of the GAIL program, Batey distributed 20 farmers' market coupon check booklets to Greenbelt residents.



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of former resident Maurice Love. Our sympathy to his family.

Congratulations to Barbara Foreman who recently received an MJA (master of justice administration) from Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont.

News Review staffer Meta Lagerwerff was greeted back at her Ad Desk post on Tuesday with a round of applause when she returned from convalescing. Welcome back, Meta.

## Baha'i Faith

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necessity.

The Martin Company and its architects, Albert Kahn of Detroit and Skidmore, Owings and Merrill of New York, planned a town with curving streets and superblocs using garden city principles. When building costs rose, the architects turned to pre-fabrication of single-family cottages. In 1942, seven years after he worked on the Greenbelt town plan, Hale Walker laid out a neighborhood of 1,000 prefab cottages along curving streets and cul-de-sacs. The new town housed about 20,000 people by war's end.

Breihan will discuss the various planning principles used in wartime Middle River, as well as offer reflections on how they have worked out over time.

Breihan is professor of history and former department chair at Loyola College in Baltimore. Educated in British history at Princeton and Cambridge, he has for the last decade studied architecture and planning of the 1940s in Baltimore.

The lecture is open to the public. For additional information call the Greenbelt Museum at 301-507-6582.

# Univ. of Phoenix To Open Campus

The University of Phoenix will open a campus on Walker Drive in the Golden Triangle area of Greenbelt. The school will be located in a building that is currently under construction and is scheduled to open in January. Tentatively named the Greenbelt Learning Center, it will be part of the University of Phoenix Maryland Campus which is headquartered in Columbia. Other University of Phoenix Maryland-based learning centers include Aberdeen, Rockville and Timonium.

The University of Phoenix describes itself as one of the nation's largest private accredited universities with a focus on providing education to working adults. Although specific courses have not been finalized, the school anticipates that classes at the undergraduate and master's level will be provided. Their major focus has traditionally been in the business, management and technology fields. The university can be reached at 800-697-8233 or at <http://www.phoenix.edu.maryland>.

# Little Theatre Holds Fall Play Auditions

The Prince George's Little Theatre will hold auditions August 2 and 3 for its October production "Lady Windermere's Fan," written by Oscar Wilde.

Director Norma Ozur is casting nine women and six men (ages 18 to 60). Be prepared to do cold readings from the script. All roles are open.

The auditions will be held Monday and Tuesday, August 2 and 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway, New Carrollton. Accents are not required. Performance dates are October 15, 16, 17, 22 and 23 at the Prince George's Publick Playhouse in Cheverly.

For more information, contact Ozur at [nozur@aol.com](mailto:nozur@aol.com) or call 703-548-8349.

# Natural Gas Pump Ribbon-cutting



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A brief ribbon-cutting ceremony for the city's new compressed natural gas fast fill pump was held on Monday, July 19 at the Greenbelt Public Works Facility, adjacent to Buddy Attick Park. The pump is part of the city's ongoing effort to utilize and promote the use of alternative fuels. This new facility was made possible by a grant from the Maryland Energy Administration. Shown cutting the ribbon are, from left, Councilmember Edward Putens, Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Rodney Roberts. Also present but not shown were Councilmembers Leta Mach and Konrad Herling.

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cation and Cultural Affairs, the group attended the meeting of the Greenbelt City Council, where they were introduced, photographed and bestowed with gifts from councilmembers.

Members of the entourage included Dr. Udvardi Erzsébet, mayor of Kisbér; Dr. Imre Nagy, mayor of Eger; Béla Csécsei, mayor of a district of Budapest; Litter Nándor, mayor of Erzsébet; Mészáros István, mayor of Bacsbokod; Miklós Szabó, vice president of the General Assembly, Győr; Bögre Lajosné of Tiszatarjan and László Dióssy, mayor of Veszprém.

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- Board of Elections
- Park & Recreation Advisory Board
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## GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER CHILDREN'S SWIM LESSONS SUMMER SESSION IV AUGUST 3-6, AUGUST 10-13

Passholders and Residents may register Saturday, July 31th. Open Registration Sunday, August 1 and Monday, August 2nd. Register in person from 9:00am-2:00pm for all dates above. For class schedules and information, download the Recreation Brochure at [www.ci.greenbelt.md.us](http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us)

## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING Saturday, July 24, 2004 9am-12noon at Buddy Attick Park

City residents, businesses and organizations can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items.

**Accepted Items Include:** central processing units, hard drives, monitors, keyboards, printers and copiers, laptop computers, computer speakers, scanners, computer mice, software, recording equipment, cameras, telephones, radios, other small electronic equipment (NO TELEVISIONS OR LARGE STEREO UNITS)

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**For further information, contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308.**

## GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

**MUNICIPAL ACCESS 301-474-8000:** Tuesday & Thursday, July 27 & 29: 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert - Depression," 7:00pm Springhill Lake Elementary "Everybody Dance Now"

**PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581:** Wednesday & Friday, July 28 & 30: 7:00pm "Future View-Human Body Harp," 7:30pm "Preserving the Future," 8:00pm "Student Animation Showcase"

## CITY JOB OPENING SENIOR VAN AIDE

Two senior citizen applicants needed for van aide position for 20 hours each for the Senior Training and Employment Program of Prince George's County. Work site/Supervision through City of Greenbelt Public Works Dept. Duties: To learn and provide safe assistance on and off the Greenbelt Connection van and assist impaired or senior citizens to and from the doorway of the dwelling and assist with packages. Candidates cannot earn more than \$969.80 per month per person or \$1,301.05 per couple to apply. Apply: Greenbelt Personnel Office, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD. Pay rate - \$5.15 per hour. EOE

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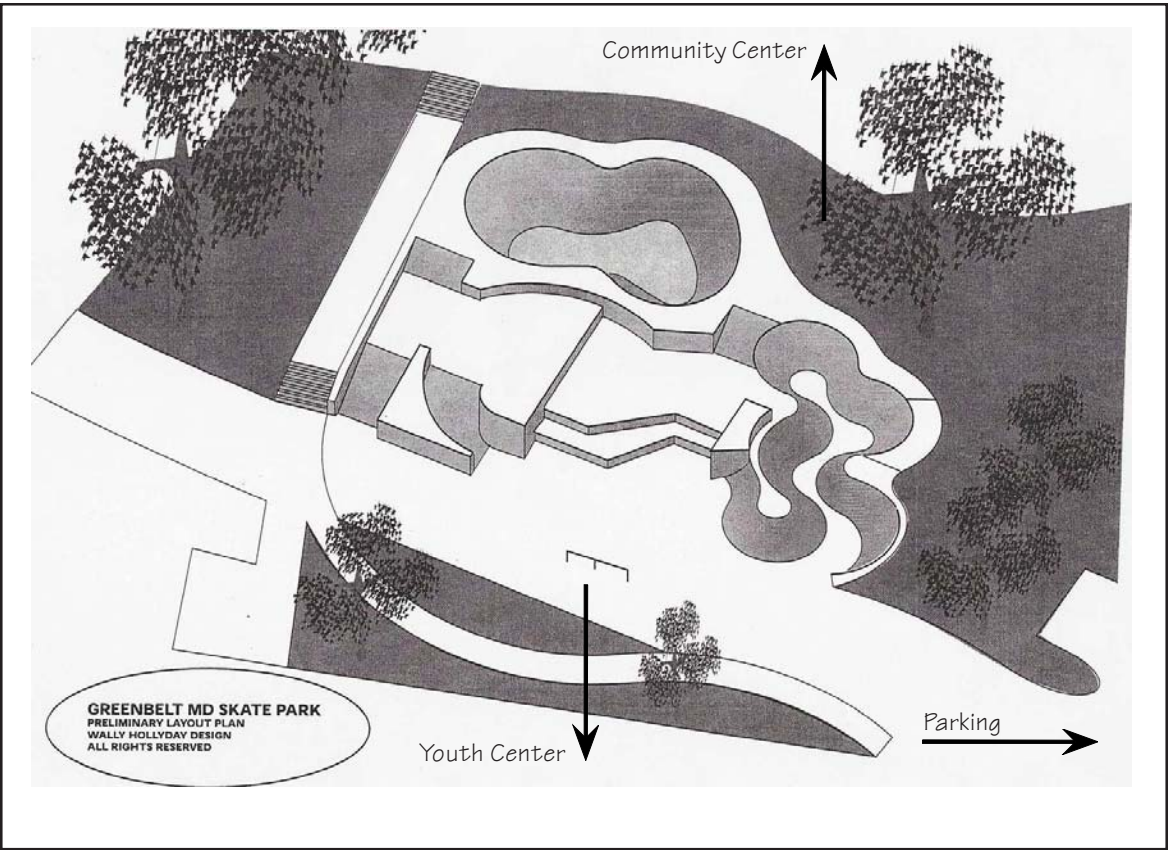
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This preliminary plan for the 7,000 square foot Greenbelt Skate Park prepared by California Landscape Design was given tentative approval with some changes by the Greenbelt City Council.

construction contract, including the preparation of county building permits; \$2,200 for the geological-technical survey of the site if council accepts the staff recommendation to engage Giles Engineering, based on their low bid.

Although \$10,000 has been estimated for fencing or some sort of barrier around the skate park, staff is continuing consideration of other alternatives combining landscaping and fencing that could cost less and be more attractive. Current council thinking is to pay the costs of the proposed facility through the use of a State Public Open Space (POS) development grant.

**Walkway Access**

The first hour of the worksession focused on McNeal's presentation of the updated design and the staff report, pending the expected late arrival of Hollyday due to delayed air travel into Washington. Council raised questions about the design, about appropriate public access around the facility and whether the facility would adequately meet the needs and preferences of the Greenbelt skate boarding community.

A lot of attention from Councilmember Rodney Roberts was directed to the most appropriate separation of the facility from the public walkway to go from the Community Center to the Youth Center and vice-versa.

Staff noted that they will continue to address that issue as well as public access from the parking area behind the Youth Center to the Youth Center itself as they consider landscaping and barrier alternatives.

Skateboarders and others from the audience commented that they were not sure the updated design reflected input from Greenbelt's skateboarding community that the park design have more so-called "street" or "plaza" style skating features. These issues and others were addressed more fully with the arrival of Hollyday at 9 p.m.

Skateboarders present were invited to come up to the front and use the preliminary layout plan to describe their concerns that there appeared to be too much emphasis on the "bowl" or "vertical" type features and not enough on "street" type features. Hollyday was able to defend the balance in his design and his philosophy that the park should provide opportunities for all ages, abilities and interests and challenge skaters to improve their skills. He felt it was important to provide opportunities for skaters to grow and expand their interests in other skating styles.

After an interchange of ideas between Hollyday and the skaters and council, several minor modifications to the design were suggested and he agreed that

modifications to enhance the "street" type features in the design could be made to the preliminary layout plan with little disruption of his overall concept.

**Agreement Reached**

By the end of the worksession there appeared to be general agreement on the preliminary plan with certain suggested modifications. Council asked for staff to add a discussion of ongoing maintenance issues with a new park as well as further discussion of materials for park features. They were also directed to begin development of use guidelines, rules and regulations for the park operation. Skateboard advocates in the audience indicated to council that they may be able to donate time and materials for the park, such as installation of tile or coping.

Mayor Judith Davis thanked everyone for their participation, especially the great effort made by Hollyday to get to Greenbelt in spite of the delayed airline operations due to that day's storms. She reiterated that "the city is faced with designing a skateboard facility with limited space and limited funds. We are looking forward to the development of a good, local, neighborhood-oriented park."

Leta Mach echoed the mayor's remarks, describing it as "a park designed for the future."

# Farmer's Market Celebrates 25th Anniversary

by Carolyn Price

The Farmer's Market in College Park is celebrating its 25th anniversary this summer. Since 1979 a number of farmers, bakers and flower growers have been setting up their stands every Saturday morning from 7 a.m. to noon, May through Thanksgiving, on Paint Branch Parkway.

Phil Miller from Clinton owns the largest farm and is the present manager. His farm has been in the family for several generations. He has a large variety of fruits, vegetables and potted plants in season. His children all work at the stand, restocking and checking out.

"If it's July, it must be peach season!" a customer squealed, seeing the Swisher's stand. They have a peach orchard nearby and each year customers chat with them about the progress of the fruit. You couldn't eat a fresher peach unless the tree was in your own yard.

Mildred has her own home-made baked pies and cakes for


sale and Uptown Bakery brings a variety of breads and pastries for their stand.

Greenbelter Donna Almquist sells parsley, chive plants, garlic and more. A visit with her is an education in gardening and herbs.

Suzanne has a variety of fresh cut flowers from her own extensive garden in Glenn Dale. She has recently taken over the stand from her next door neighbor, Bill Preston, who just retired. He had been manager of the market since its beginning and most regular market-goers have stopped every week to visit with Bill, get some advice on growing their own flowers and pick out a bouquet. Suzanne has just as green a thumb!

To round out this whole picture of activity, a quartet of Eleanor Roosevelt student musicians may be playing "Bill Bailey, Won't You Please Come Home," or other musicians "of note" could be playing.

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# POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

### Robbery

July 1, an arrest warrant has been obtained in a carjacking which occurred April 22 in the 9300 block of Edmonston Road. Marc Andrew Ellis, 20, of no fixed address has been charged with carjacking, assault, armed robbery and use of a handgun in the commission of a violent crime and theft.

July 9, a woman reported that she was about to enter Chevy Chase Bank at Greenway Center to make a deposit when she was approached by a man who exited the rear of a waiting vehicle and grabbed her deposit bag. After a struggle the man obtained the bag, got back into the vehicle and fled. He is described as a black male, 6'1" with a thin build, black hair in braids, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans. The driver of the vehicle is described as a black male with a heavy build and short black hair, wearing a red jersey shirt. The vehicle is described as a green Chevrolet Tahoe SUV, bearing Maryland temporary tags.

July 10, 10:54 p.m., a man reported that he was walking at Cherrywood Lane and Springhill Drive when he was approached by another man who displayed a handgun and demanded money. After obtaining money the suspect fled the scene on foot. He is described as a black male approximately 19 years of age, 5'9" to 6' with black hair and brown eyes, wearing a black shirt, a black and white hat and blue jeans.

July 13, 10:48 a.m., a man reported that he was driving in the 7200 block Hanover Drive when he was flagged down by a man who asked the victim for five dollars. The suspect then displayed a handgun and was joined by a second man who also displayed a handgun. The victim was ordered out of the vehicle and the men went through the victim's pockets, taking money. They then fled the area on foot. The suspects are described as two black males approximately 20 years of age. One was 6'1" to 6'2" with a thin build and black hair in cornrows, wearing a white T-shirt

and blue jeans; the other was 5'8" with black hair in cornrows and a beard, wearing blue shorts and a white T-shirt.

On July 13 two nearly identical robberies (similar MO and suspect descriptions) took place. In the first at 10:22 p.m., the victims reported that they were walking towards an apartment building in the 200 block Lakeside Drive when they were approached by two men, one armed with a shotgun. The men announced a robbery and fled on foot after taking money, DVDs and a wallet. They are described as two black males, each 5'6", wearing black T-shirts and blue jeans, with black T-shirts tied around their faces.

The second robbery occurred at 12:10 a.m. The victims reported that they were sitting in a vehicle in the 22 court Crescent Road when they were approached by two men, one armed with a shotgun. The men announced a robbery and, after obtaining money, fled the scene on foot. They are described as two black males, 5'6", wearing blue jeans with black T-shirts tied around their faces. One had on a white tank top shirt and the other a black T-shirt.

### Assault

July 9, 10:55 p.m., police observed a woman drive into the front parking lot of the police department, followed by a second vehicle being operated by the suspect, a resident woman. The suspect exited her vehicle and began threatening the victim, who locked herself inside her vehicle. The suspect was arrested after she continued to threaten the victim and refused several orders to step away from the victim's vehicle. She was forcibly taken into custody, arrested and charged with assault. She was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

### Disorderly Conduct

July 13, 6:03 p.m., police responded to a report of a woman passed out at Roosevelt Center. The woman, of no fixed address, began shouting at the officers and resisted attempts by officers

to place her into custody. She was arrested, charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest and was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

### Trespass

July 13, 11:47 p.m., two non-resident men were arrested and charged with trespass after they were observed on the grounds of Springhill Lake Apartments after having been previously banned by agents of the property. Both men were released on citations pending trial.

### Burglary

July 10, 3:56 a.m., commercial burglary at Beltway Plaza Mall.

July 14, 11:57 a.m., unknown person(s) entered a residence in the 9100 block Springhill Lane by breaking a bedroom window. Food was taken and the dwelling was vandalized.

### Vehicle Crimes

Six vehicles were stolen: a red 1994 Nissan Sentra 4-door, North Carolina tags QUANTAE from the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace; a green 1995 Toyota Tercel 2-door, Maryland temporary tags 44757K from the 5700 block Cherrywood Lane; a blue 1991 Toyota Camry 4-door, Maryland tags ZHK831 from the 9100 block Edmonston Court; a white 1995 Ford Conversion van, Maryland tags M246815 from 4 Court Ridge Road; a green 1998 Nissan Maxima 4-door, Maryland tags LJK839 from the 7900 block Mandan Road and a blue 1997 Jaguar SJ6 4-door, Maryland tags HMP430 from Beltway Plaza Mall.

Six vehicles were recovered, three by Greenbelt police with no arrests, two by other police departments with two arrests made in one recovery and one by the owner.

Vandalisms to or thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, 9200 block Edmonston Road, 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive, 19 court Ridge Road, 7500 block Greenway Center Drive, 6900 block Hanover Parkway (three incidents), 6600 block Lake Park Drive and 7200 block South Ora Court.

## Illinois Students Tour Here, Learn about Cooperatives

by Leta Mach

Thirty high school students and their four chaperones from the Illinois Farm Bureau toured Greenbelt on Tuesday, July 13 to learn more about consumer cooperatives.

Leta Mach, current or former member of many of Greenbelt's cooperatives, guided the group. The students were selected for the Cooperative Activities Tour after winning a rigorous contest consisting of projects, speeches, essays and a test for their Future Farmers of America (FFA) section. They came from all over the state – from urban Chicago to rural areas in southern Illinois.

The tour began July 12 with visits to the Adams Electric Cooperative, Knouse Foods and the Mason-Dixon Farm in Pennsylvania. After Greenbelt, they planned to visit the National Telephone Cooperative Association in Virginia.

The Greenbelt visit began with a box lunch at the New Deal Café. Kitchen Manager Ellen Siegel answered a few questions about the café and why the cooperative was established. The students also used their lunch time to converse with people in the Roosevelt Center and ask them about Greenbelt's cooperatives. As a result, the students were anxious to see the Co-op food store and learn more about the patronage refunds they had heard people receive.

But first, the group walked to Greenbelt Homes (GHI) for a pre-

sentation from General Manager Gretchen Overdurff. The presentation provided an overview of Greenbelt's history and GHI's role in the city. The students were curious to learn more about such issues as pets, yard lines and maintenance as well as how to become a member of the cooperative. On the walk back through the inner walkways the students looked for examples of brick, block and frame homes and identified additions to the original homes.

Bob Davis, Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative manager, discussed operations at the food co-op. The group seemed surprised that people could join the co-op for as little as \$10. They were even more surprised that these members were eligible for patronage refunds even though they had not contributed \$100 to become a voting member.

Before leaving Greenbelt the group also walked through the Community Center and viewed the location of two more cooperatives – the Greenbelt News Review and the Greenbelt Nursery School.

FFA was organized nationally in 1928 in Kansas City, Mo. It operates on local, state and national levels. Student members belong to chapters organized at the local school level. The Illinois FFA president Kacy Baugher and vice president Cliff Dolbeau helped lead the tour of Greenbelt.

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Plaza, Largo MVA and Columbia Express MVA (24/7). Some transactions can also be performed by mail.

For transactions on the internet, log onto <http://www.marylandmva.com> and click on "Online Services." For vehicle registration renewal, the vehicle title number, license plate, number and a Visa card, MasterCard or check are needed. If necessary, the option to print a temporary registration is available, which enables drivers to operate their vehicles until the registration card and sticker arrive by mail.

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Avoid high volume days – Monday, Friday, Saturday and the days before or after a holiday weekend. If none of those alternatives is feasible, the MVA points out that rural offices tend to be less crowded.

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work and family make it difficult to recruit new volunteers, Harman commented that volunteers gain a sense of satisfaction from their efforts, and society also wins. He added, “Organizations bring people together; they solve problems and create a better sense of community.”

Anyone talking to Harman detects his passionate support for the University of Maryland. Following Army service in North Africa during World War II, Harman attended the university, where he played tackle on the football team. He was a co-founder of the University of Maryland College Park (UMCP) Veterans Club, whose first president was William Hoff, Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen in 1981.

Harman fondly recalls homecoming activities on campus in 1945, when he presented a football to General George C. Marshall. His UMCP connection has spanned 50-plus years and has involved leadership roles as a student, alumnus and booster. He was recently nominated to the Alumni Association’s Hall of Fame.

Nominations

Harman was aware that friends have been nominating him for Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen for the last eight years. He ac-

knowledges that this is a testimony to the number of deserving volunteers in Greenbelt. He thanks those who nominated him and conveyed encouragement to other nominators. Harman added, “Keep the faith. Continue to send in those nominations and hopefully your candidate will be selected.”

The Outstanding Citizen award honors all of Greenbelt’s outstanding citizens, even though it may be presented to only one of them each year. The process of identifying that special person in a city of citizen volunteers is difficult and requires input from citizens like our readers. Some outstanding citizens are easily spotted because of their creative leadership and high visibility within their organizations. But sometimes such individuals touch others in a quiet way.

This award is bestowed annually during the opening ceremonies of the Labor Day Festival. While a committee will select 2004’s Outstanding Citizen, that selection is made from nominations submitted from the community. Nominations are due on August 9. Help the committee identify 2004’s outstanding citizen by completing the nomination form elsewhere in this paper.

Institute on Humor Registration for Fall

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and co-workers celebrated Conaty’s citizenship.

At the end everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance and sang “The Star Spangled Banner.” Conaty said, “I was deeply moved by all the people who came to the citizenship party. I want to thank Austin for coming up with this special party to celebrate.”

It was fitting that the party was held at the aviation museum, since Conaty works there part-time. She had interviewed Cathy Allen, director of the museum, for a News Review article about the “Centennial of Flight” and expressed interest in working there. Subsequently she applied for a job and now conducts school and college tours, Scouts programs, parties, tours for seniors and special needs persons.

Conaty says of the museum, “I am so happy to work there because of its historical significance. The Wright Brothers represent the American spirit, the hard work under difficult circumstances. They give us an inspiration for what we can achieve as ordinary people.”

News Review

Conaty also volunteers at the News Review as a writer and photographer. She is involved with the Prince George’s Running Club, meeting Saturdays at the Sweetgum Picnic Area of Greenbelt Park. She helps with the Knights of Columbus at St. Hugh’s Church. Conaty photographs nature and paints with watercolors and charcoal. She has become her family historian, documenting family activities.

Conaty is fond of Greenbelt, its people, the Art Deco architecture and feel of the town. She likes living in the D.C. area be-

cause of the museums and galleries. In fact, she volunteers as a docent on Sundays at the Corcoran Gallery and hopes to take art courses there in the future.

The majority of Conaty’s family, including her mother, live in the Philippines. There are cousins in California and Ontario, Canada. Her late father, Abelardo Pasco, was an engineer and she has established a foundation in his name to enable family members to obtain higher education in the engineering field. She hopes to extend this aid in the near future to Philippine students outside her family. Conaty, who also wants to spread information about Philippine culture to others, gives talks on this subject to various groups.

One wonders where she finds the time to do everything she does and still be looking for more.



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Agnes with husband Austin at the party celebrating her citizenship.



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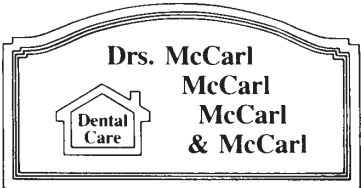
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A Review

# New Deal Health Exhibit Sparks Praise, Nostalgia

by Jim Lara

“Beautiful” and “colorful” are words being used to describe the Greenbelt Museum’s current exhibit of “Living the Health Life: Sports, Health and Fitness in the New Deal Era.” For some visitors, it sparks a sense of nostalgia. How things have changed for how we stay fit, from the 1930s and 1940s to the present. The exhibit, which opened on May 21 at the Greenbelt Community Center, has won praise from adults and children as well as from residents who donated some of the objects on display.

“I think the response has been very positive from everyone, especially the kids from the creative camps,” said museum curator Jill St. John.

### Photos and Posters

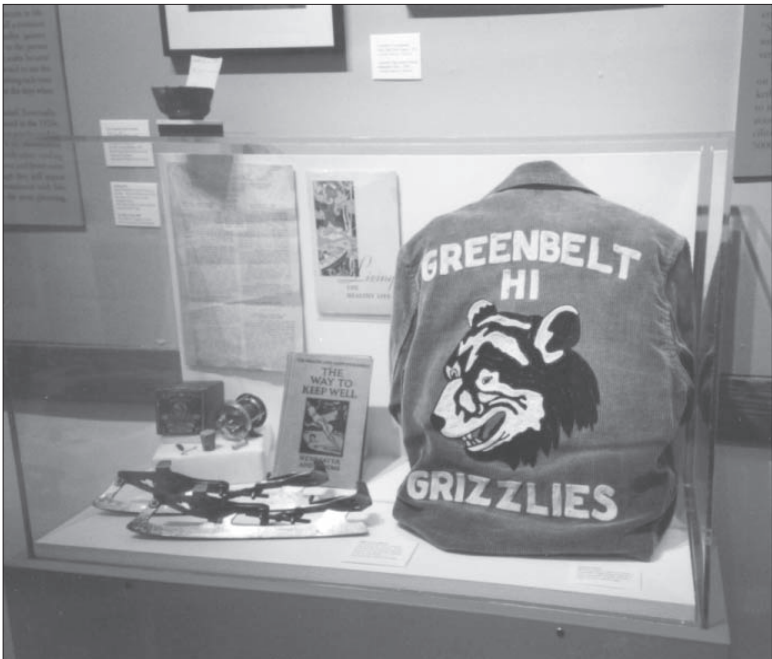
Walking into the exhibit, one notices the many posters and old photographs displayed on the walls. The posters were created by the Works Progress Administration from 1936 to 1943 to help promote projects relating to health, safety, education and community activities, such as the benefits of milk for strong bones and teeth and better housing to prevent infant mortality in the slums. Look also for a woman dressed to play tennis for Field Day.

Greenbelt’s sports history is documented from black-and-white photographs from the 1954 Greenbelt baseball team of the Babe Ruth League to the 1950 Greenbelt High School Grizzlies basketball team. All photos and posters were obtained from the Library of Congress. St. John explained that she and fellow curator Katie Scott-Childress wanted to show guests something different. “We wanted to appeal to men (through sports), since past exhibits have dealt with fashion or domestic objects,” said St. John.

In keeping with the sports theme, visitors will see an old Greenbelt Grizzly jacket from before 1950. The green corduroy jacket has the image of a bear with Greenbelt sewn at the top and grizzlies at the bottom. Other antiques include a Louisville Slugger baseball bat used by Hall of Famer Mel Ott and dumbbells and tennis rackets made from wood.

Another item is the scorebook from a game played by the city’s baseball team, given to the museum by Bob Sommers, a Greenbelt pioneer. As a batboy for the city’s first baseball team in 1939, he was given a glove during his first season as a player; he also donated it to the exhibit. He echoed the sentiment of the exhibit, saying, “It brings back memories and shows people how we did things when we were young,” said Sommers.

Marion Hastings, 78, who was 12 years old when she first lived in Greenbelt, donated an old pair of ice skates, the type that people attached to their shoes.



Greenbelt High School (now Greenbelt Middle School) sports jacket, circa 1939, featured in the Greenbelt Museum exhibit on "Living the Healthy Life" in the Community Center.



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Swimsuits, circa 1940s, featuring modern era styles, are part of the Greenbelt Museum's new exhibit on "Living the Healthy Life" in the Community Center.

“My dad got the skates for me but they didn’t fit my shoes, so I couldn’t use them,” she said with a laugh.

### Staying Healthy

Other displays showed how to stay healthy and fit. One poster explains that syphilis can strike children, who should be protected with Toxoid. Viewers can observe an old-style first aid book by the American Red Cross, a pill box, a package of Tums and a photo of a doctor examining a child.

Beauty kits were popular in the late 1920s, with information on weight loss, makeup, exercise and healthy eating. The Dubarry Success Course gave beauty advice by claiming people could fix body defects with special isolation exercises and posture corrections.

The Detecto Charm Box, created in 1928, consisted of cards providing exercises and diet plans that could be done in a few minutes. St. John remarked that similar methods are still used today. “Now the charm box has morphed into online diets giving

you the tips instead of having cards sent to you,” said St. John.

There are also hands-on objects like a thumb-wrestling ring and treadmill for the kids. Different fabrics from tweed to rayon show how materials used for athletic uniforms have evolved through the years.

The penny scale has been the most popular attraction so far. People can put a penny in the slot to learn their weight and receive a card telling them what’s in store for them in the future. St. John and Scott-Childress purchased the scale on eBay for \$200.

St. John credits the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum for their donations to the exhibit and the City of Greenbelt and the Maryland Historical Trust for their funding. She says the exhibit will be open at least through November 2005. “People seem to be getting a fun experience out of it and they’re taking with them some knowledge when they leave, which is great,” said St. John.

## Festival Notes

The 50th Festival commemorative T-shirts are now available and are selling well. They are truly collector’s items. There are two styles – a green tie-dye one and a plain grey one. T-shirts are available at the bake sales, which are held on the Co-op ramp, and by calling Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312.

### Fundraisers

Fundraising for the 50th Labor Day Festival is well underway and will continue through the festival. The next bake sale will be held on the Co-op ramp on Saturday, July 24. Raffle tickets for \$200 worth of Co-op groceries are currently being sold as are raffle tickets for a 50/50 drawing. There is a raffle for a Longaberger wooden chest valued at \$400. There is a new raffle, for Bowie Baysox ticket coupons: Buy 1 Get 1 Free. Drawing for this raffle is August 7. All of these items are available at the bake sales and can also be purchased by calling Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312.

### Yard Sale

The festival will have a yard sale in Roosevelt Center on Saturday, July 31 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be lots of one-of-a-kind items as well as clothes, books, records, household items, furniture and more. Donations for the sale are currently being accepted. Call Patti Brothers at the number above for pick up or for more information.

### Website

The festival website – [www.greenbelt.com/laborday](http://www.greenbelt.com/laborday) – is updated regularly and currently displays the tentative schedule as well as committee members, status of the different activities and sponsors/contributors.

### Talent Show

Two audition dates have been set for the Talent Show, which will be held on Saturday, September 4 at 6 p.m. Both auditions are Tuesdays, August 24 and 31 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.



Call Dennis Lewis at 301-577-1718 for more information.

### Ticket Sellers

Applications are being accepted for ticket sellers for the carnival rides and activities. All shifts are needed. These are paid positions, but in lieu of pay, the positions can be used to fulfill a student’s community service requirement. Call Patti Brothers at the number above for more information.

### Parade

Parade Chairperson Linda Ivy is still looking for a convertible in which the Queen of Hearts (a parade tradition) can ride. Anyone who has a convertible or knows where one can be obtained is asked to contact Ivy via email at [Lindaivy@aol.com](mailto:Lindaivy@aol.com). Applications are still being accepted for the parade. Anyone who wants to participate in the parade this year should contact Ivy at the above email address.

### Shuttle Service

The shuttle service is seeking drivers for the various shifts. Individuals can sign up for one or more shifts. Call Lester Whitmer for more information at 301-345-8897.

### Contact Numbers

Listed below are contact names and numbers for the various festival activities:

Art Show – Barbara Simon, 301-474-2192

Booths – John and Gloria Winfrey, 301-345-3794

Contributions – Patti Brothers, 301-982-2312

Information Day – Dave Pitts, 301-345-9605

Outstanding Citizen – Bob Zugby, 301-345-2065

Photo Show – Keith Zevallos, 301-474-5542

Volunteers – Patti Brothers, 301-982-2312

### Next Meeting

The next meeting of the committee is Tuesday, August 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Individuals interested in volunteering for this year’s festival are invited to attend.

*Festival Notes is written by Committee Chair Patti Brothers and will appear in the News Review regularly until Labor Day.*

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## What Do You Remember About the Labor Day Festival?

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